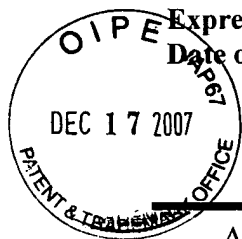


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1. Amendment and Response to Non-Final Office Action dated June 15, 2007 (11 pages);
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